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March 29, 1921.

To the Secretary of State:

By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, I herewith file with you House Bill No. 468, with my disapproval and veto.

The purpose of this bill is to create a new Judicial District Court composed of Young, Archer and Clay counties. The following reasons prompt me to disapprove this bill:

We have at this time entirely too many courts in Texas. A considerable number of our District Courts should be abolished. There is more money wasted by idle courts than by any other department of our government. In view of this fact, I am unwilling to create a new district court, unless it be an absolute necessity.

Instead of creating this new court, some of the old courts, as a matter of economy, should be abolished, and the work of the district courts should be somewhat equally distributed among the remaining courts. There is no question but that a smaller number of courts than we now have could easily do the work of the State.

I am advised that the session of the District Court recently held in one of these counties named to compose the new district was not kept busy in the trial of cases more than half the time. No facts have been presented to me which prove that this court is a necessity. Desiring not to burden the people with the expense of this new court, I hereby disapprove and veto this bill.

Yours sincerely,

Governor.

Received in Department of State,

This 29 day of March A.D. 1921

at 1 o'clock, and 6 minutes P.M.  
  
Secretary of State.